



Adult Programs

Coloring for Grown-Ups

Evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Second Tuesdays: Jan 12, Feb 9, Mar 8

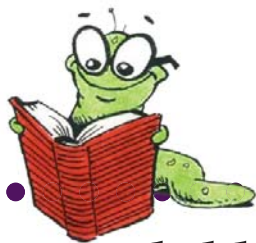
Mornings from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Second Thursdays: Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 10

Why should the kids have all the fun?

Try this "new" relaxing activity for adults.

We'll provide coloring sheets and pencils or bring your own and take a break from your busy schedule.



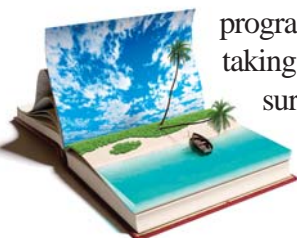
Children's Programs

And introducing....

Janis Comer replaces Jane as our new Children's Services Librarian. Janis has worked for the Library since July 2013 and is eager to begin her new duties.

In order to give Janis some time to acclimate to her new job, children's programs are taking the month of January off. Be

sure to check our website and online calendar for program information.



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From the Director

This month I yield my column to Jane Carlson...

I checked my jewelry box the other day. Mickey was still there. This adorable necklace was a Christmas gift from Bobby Albright, one of my seventh-graders during my first year of teaching in Keokuk. That was 40 years ago. Yes, before many of you reading this were born.



I suppose it is silly that I've kept it this long. But the point today is not that I have a hard time getting rid of things. It's that I remember the name of the person who gave it to me, and I can recall what he looked like in seventh grade.

During my nine-plus years at the Indianola Public Library, I have met so many people – most of them children – whom I have come to consider friends. I have a long memory for people, although sometimes the name isn't always on the tip of my tongue. And since I've worked with children all those years, I've become pretty good with their names. I'll confess, some adults I only know as someone's mom or dad, not by their first name. Forgive me.

My family came to Indianola in 1991, and that August I was hired by the school district as the elementary media specialist. After five years of overseeing multiple schools, I was reassigned to the middle school, where I worked for another five years. I saw a lot of children and learned a lot of names during those ten years.

Now I see those "children" all grown up, and some of them are bringing their children to story times and book clubs. It has been fun to reconnect with the adult people they have grown into. Sometimes I recognize them and can call them by name right away; sometimes I need a little help; other times I know them and they don't remember me at all. (That just means they didn't use the library enough in middle school, I think!)

This is just a long-winded way of saying that even though I will not be at the library any more, I will not forget you or your children. You have become part of the wonderful memories I will take from this place. Thank you for sharing your children with me. This has been the best job ever.



Programs for Adults

Morning Book Club

The next best thing to reading a good book is talking about it! Join the Morning Book Club for a lively discussion the second Friday of each month at 10:00 a.m.

January 8

American Heiress by Daisey Goodwin

Evening Book Club

Expand your horizons with the Evening Book Club as we read and discuss our way through the book genres this year. The club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm.

January 26

The Martian by Andrew Weir

Copies of the books are available at the Library prior to each book club.



For Teens Chat & Chew Book Club



Third Thursday of the month • January 21

For sixth graders only during the Sixth Grade lunch period

Bring your lunch to the IMS library and join Mrs. Wanamaker and Michele in a lively discussion of your favorite books.



Anime Club

First Friday of the month

January 8

4:00 - 4:45 p.m. • Grades 6-12

Watch anime, share your drawings, and hang out with other fans the first Friday of each month.

IHS Book Club

First Thursday of the month • January 7

For anyone in high school • After school in the IHS Library

Join this popular book club where members choose the books they read and then get to keep them.

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